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- WHITE HOUSE PRESS SECRETARY JODY POWELL DENIED A REPORT IN THE DETROIT NEWS THAT CARTER HAS AGREED TO REMOVE STANSFIELD TURNER AS CIA DIRECTOR. THE NEWSPAPER REPORTED THAT DEFENSE SECRETARY HAROLD BROWN AND NATIONAL SECURITY ADVISER ZBIGNIEW BRZEZINSKI WERE HEADING THE DRIVE TO OUST TURNER. BUT POWELL SAID, "THERE IS ABSOLUTELY NO TRUTH TO IT. NO ONE WANTS TURNER OUT."

- CARTER'S FISCAL 1979 BUDGET WAS SUBMITTED TO CONGRESS. IT CALLS FOR $500.2 BILLION IN SPENDING, AN 8-PERCENT INCREASE OVER THIS YEAR'S BUDGET. CARTER SAID IN A MESSAGE TO CONGRESS THE PLAN IS "THE ADMINISTRATION'S FIRST FULL STATEMENT OF ITS PRIORITIES." HE MEETS TOMORROW WITH CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS AND IS LIKELY TO DISCUSS THE PROPOSALS WITH THEM.

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